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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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IN RE APPLICATION OF :
M.A. Cawthorne, et al. :
APPLICATION NO.: **09/423,684** :
FILED: **March 20, 2000** :
FOR: **SOMATOSTATIN AND SOMATOSTATIN AGONISTS FOR DECREASING BODY WEIGHT** :

EXAMINER: **H. ROBINSON**
ART UNIT: **1653**

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This is in reply to the Office Action mailed May 7, 2003, ("instant Office Action") that issued in respect of the above-captioned patent application ("instant Application"), the period for response thereto having been extended to November 7, 2003, per the Petition for Extension of Time filed herewith.

Reconsideration of the instant Office Action and withdrawal of the restriction requirement are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.